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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
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Serial No.: Corresponding to PCT/JP2004/017835

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For: Phosphorylcholine Group-Containing Compound And Surface

Modifying Agent Composed Of Such Compound

## CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The benefit of the filing dates of the following prior foreign applications filed in Japan is hereby requested for the above identified application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. 365 is hereby claimed:

Japanese patent application No. 2003-402725 filed December 2, 2003; and

Japanese patent application No. 2004-345739 filed November 30, 2004

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In support of this claim, a certified copy of each of said original foreign applications was filed with the International Bureau on February 4, 2005, as evidenced by form PCT/IB/304, which is attached.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 365 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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